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Dear Brother May

The box of books came safely to hand yesterday. Unpacked, & in good condition. We should use all dilligence in distributing them carefully. The donors will please accept the thanks of our Committee for them.

So South Carolina has resolved herself out of the Union! I cant yet persuade myself it is anything else than a magnificent game of bluff, & that she will will win thereby such compromises as she wants. Her only hope is in her madness & insolence.

Yours

M. R. Robinson

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